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**REMARKS**

Claims 2-20 and 34-56 are pending in the present application. Claims 19-20, 34-41 and 47-56 were previously cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Accordingly, claims 2-18 and 42-46 are currently pending and are in condition for allowance. New claims 57-65 have been added. Support for the new claims may be found throughout the specification and in the claims as originally filed. For example, support for new claims 57, 61 and 62 may be found at page 14, lines 23-29, support for new claims 58, 59, 60, 63, 64 and 65 may be found at page 3, lines 32-33 and page 4, lines 1-4. Thus, no new matter has been added by these amendments.

With respect to all amendments and cancelled claims (and/or subject matter related thereto), Applicants have not dedicated or abandoned any unclaimed subject matter and moreover have not acquiesced to any rejections and/or objections made by the Patent Office. Applicants reserve the right to pursue prosecution of any such subject matter in future continuation and/or divisional application.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

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**CONCLUSION**

If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. 441472000100. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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